

What is claimed is:

1. A method for writing data on a number of sectors of a track of a disk drive that comprises:
  - 5 sending a signal to write data on a first sector of the track;
  - receiving a write data default;
  - 10 sending a signal to write data on another sector of the track after skipping a predetermined number of sectors;
  - waiting for the first sector to be in position again; and
  - 15 sending a signal to retry to write data on the first sector if a predetermined number of retries to write data on the track has not been exceeded.
2. A method of reading data from a number of sectors of a track of a disk drive that comprises:
  - 15 sending a signal to read data from the number of sectors starting at a first sector of the track;
  - receiving one or more read data defaults;
  - 20 waiting for the first sector to be in position again; and
  - sending a signal to retry to read data from sectors of the track that were unable to be read previously if a predetermined number of retries to read data has not been exceeded.
3. The method of claim 1 wherein the predetermined number of sectors to skip is 0.
4. The method of claim 1 wherein the predetermined number of sectors to skip is 1, 2 or more.